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fees now provided for witnesses in civil cases in courts of record, which shall be audited and paid by the State in the same manner as other expenses are audited and paid upon the presentation of properly verified vouchers. But no witness subpoenaed at the instance of parties other than the board shall be entitled to compensation from the State for attendance or travel unless the board shall certify that his or her testimony was material to the matter investigated. Fees paid under this section shall be charged to the general appropriation for the State board of health. The State board of health may, in any investigation, cause depositions of witnesses residing within or without the State to be taken in the manner prescribed by the law for like depositions in civil actions in courts of record."

SEC. 3. That section 5 of article 43 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Health," be, and the same is hereby, repealed and reenacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. The secretary shall be the State health officer and shall hold office as long as he shall faithfully discharge the duties thereof, but may be removed for just cause at a regular meeting of the board, a majority of the members voting therefor; he shall keep a record of the transactions of the board and an account of all expenditures by them; he shall, whenever necessary or practicable, correspond and consult with health authorities of other States, and with the local boards and all health officers in this State, and secure an interchange of all useful sanitary information, especially respecting the causes, treatment, and progress of epidemics; he shall keep on file all reports received from such boards and all correspondence relating to the duties of this board; he shall prepare blank forms of returns and such instructions as may be necessary, and forward them to the several local boards of health and all health officers throughout the State; he shall, when requested by local boards or any health officers, visit their respective districts, cities, or villages, to investigate the cause of any existing disease, and shall, from time to time, and whenever directed by the governor or the legislature, make special inspections of public hospitals, asylums, prisons, and other institutions, and shall, at each session of the legislature, submit, through the board, a full report of his investigations, with such suggestions and recommendations as he may deem proper; he shall, when required by the governor or other proper authorities, advise in regard to the location, drainage, water supply, disposal of excrement, heating and ventilation of any public institution or building belonging to the State; he shall collect information concerning vital statistics, prevailing diseases, and the general hygiene of the State, and through an annual report and otherwise, as the board may direct, shall disseminate such information among the people. He shall have general jurisdiction and control over all health officers, inspectors, agents, nurses, and others appointed under the jurisdiction of the State board of health, and shall assist and advise them in the performance of their duties, and shall have and perform such other duties as the State board of health may impose upon him. During his term of office he shall not engage in the practice of medicine or in any occupation which would be in conflict with the performance of his official duties, and he shall receive from the treasury, in monthly payments, an annual salary of \$3,000, to be paid on the warrant of the comptroller out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated."

**Sanitary Districts—Establishment—Deputy State Health Officers. (Chap. 675, Act April 16, 1914.)**

SEC. 4. That six additional sections be and the same are hereby added to article 43 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Health," said sections to follow immediately after section 5 of article 43 and to be designated

as section 5A, section 5B, section 5C, section 5D, section 5E, and section 5F, said sections to read as follows:

"SEC. 5A. The State board of health of Maryland shall divide the State outside of Baltimore city into 10 sanitary districts, following county lines, and upon the recommendations of its secretary, and by a majority vote thereof, it shall appoint a deputy State health officer for each sanitary district.

"SEC. 5B. The deputy State health officers shall be trained in sanitary science and hygiene, and shall possess the same qualifications required of the State health officer, and shall hold their office during efficiency and good behavior, but may be removed for cause by a majority vote of the State board of health after having been given an opportunity to be heard in their own defense. No deputy State health officer shall practice medicine or engage in any other occupation which would conflict with the performance of his official duties. Each deputy State health officer shall have an office located at some accessible point, designated by the State board of health, within his sanitary district, and he shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the State board of health, to be not less than \$1,200 nor more than \$2,500 per annum, and shall also receive his expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of his official duties.

"SEC. 5C. Each deputy State health officer, under the direction of the State board of health and the State health officer, shall have jurisdiction throughout his district; and he shall have the right of entry into any workshop, factory, dairy, creamery, slaughterhouse, or other place of business or employment, or into any private house, when in pursuit of his official duties. He shall carry out the instructions of the State board of health and shall make such investigations and reports as said State board of health may require. He shall, when required by the State board of health, inspect and report upon the sanitary conditions of streams and sources of public water supply, sewerage facilities, schools and schoolhouses, dairies, creameries, slaughterhouses, workshops, and factories, and all places where offensive trades or industries are conducted in his district. He shall respond promptly when called upon for advice or assistance by any board of health or health officer within his jurisdiction, and it shall be his duty and he is hereby authorized to enforce any public-health statute, or rule, or regulation of the State board of health, or of any local board of health or health officer within his district, when such local board of health or health officer neglects or refuses to enforce such statute, rule, or regulation after due notice by him or by the State board of health. He shall keep himself informed as to the work of each local health officer within his district and aid each local health officer within his district in the performance of his duties, and particularly on the appearance of any communicable disease. He shall purchase samples of food and drugs for analysis when directed to do so by the State health officer, and promote an efficient registration of births and deaths within his district, and in addition he shall have and perform such other duties as are or may be imposed upon him by the State board of health or the State health officer.

"SEC. 5D. Whenever the State health officer or deputy State health officer shall have assumed jurisdiction over any health condition in this State the local health authorities shall assist the State health officer or his deputy in the performance of their duties.

"SEC. 5E. The State board of health shall have power to remove any deputy health officer from any sanitary district into any other sanitary district in this State, or, in case of epidemics, to locate any number of the deputy State health officers in any one sanitary district in this State or in the city of Baltimore; and it shall have power to appoint such inspectors, nurses, and agents to aid

the deputy State health officers as it may deem necessary and pay them a reasonable compensation for their service within the limits of this appropriation.

"SEC. 5F. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act the sum of \$50,000 annually, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, to be payable by the treasurer of the State upon warrant of the comptroller, at such times and in such sums as may be authorized by the State board of health upon presentation of the proper vouchers."

SEC. 5. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

SEC. 6. That this act shall take effect from and after the 1st day of July, 1914.

**Foodstuffs—Supervision of Production, Care, and Sale by State Board of Health. (Chap. 678, Act Apr. 16, 1914.)**

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, etc.,* That from and after the approval of this act all matters and things relating to the sanitation of factories, canneries, bakeries, confectioneries, creameries, milk plants and distributing dairies, hotels, restaurants or eating houses, packing and slaughter houses, ice-cream plants, and other places where food products are manufactured, packed, stored, deposited, collected, prepared, produced, or sold for any purpose whatever shall be under the supervision of the State board of health of Maryland, which said State board of health, with its officers and such agents as may be appointed by it, is hereby vested with power and authority to carry into effect the provisions hereof.

SEC. 2. The said State Board of Health of Maryland shall cause to be inspected at reasonable hours, and as often as practicable, all factories, canneries, bakeries, confectioneries, creameries, milk plants and distributing dairies, hotels, restaurants or eating houses, packing and slaughter houses, ice-cream plants, and other places where food products are manufactured, packed, stored, deposited, collected, prepared, produced, or sold for any purpose whatever, and to enforce the correction of all insanitary conditions and practices found therein.

SEC. 3. The said State Board of Health of Maryland and its agents and inspectors in the discharge of their duties under the provisions hereof, and every person, firm, association, or corporation engaged in the handling of food and food products, shall be governed by the following rules and regulations, which are hereby made the law of this State:

(a) The floors, side walls, ceilings, furniture, receptacles, implements, and machinery of every establishment or place where food is manufactured, packed, stored, sold, or distributed, and all cars, trucks, and vehicles used in the transportation of food products, shall at all times be kept in a clean and sanitary condition. Unclean and insanitary conditions shall be deemed to exist if the food in the process of manufacture, preparation, packing, storing, sale, distribution, or transportation is not protected as far as practicable from flies, filth, and all foreign or injurious contamination; or if the refuse, dirt, and waste products subject to decomposition and fermentation incident to the manufacture, preparation, packing, storing, selling, distribution, and transportation of food are not removed daily; or if all the trucks, trays, boxes, baskets, and other receptacles, chutes, platform, racks, tables, shelves, and knives, saws, cleavers, and other utensils, and other machinery used in moving, handling, cutting, chopping, mixing, canning, and all processes, are not at all times kept clean; or if the clothing and body of operatives, employees, clerks, or other persons therein employed are not kept as clean as the nature of their employment will permit.